

**Table of Contents**[SAVE THE DATE: April 29, 2017](#)[WORKSHOP: What's My Map Worth? How to Value Antique Maps](#)[Online Map Exhibitions](#)[Index to the Library's Maps of the District of Columbia](#)[Roundup of 2016 Winter and Spring Map Programs at the Library](#)**Quick Links**[Our Website](#)[Renew Membership or Donate Now](#)[Contact Us](#)**Map Books for Sale in the Virginia Shop**

John O. E. Clark. *Maps That Changed the World*. London: Batsford, 2016.

Joel Kovarsky. *The True Geography of Our Country: Jefferson's Cartographic Vision*. Charlottesville: University of Virginia Press, 2014.

Richard Stephenson and Marianne McKee, eds. *Virginia in Maps: Four Centuries of Settlement, Growth, and Development*. Richmond: Library of Virginia, 1999.

William C. Wooldridge. *Mapping Virginia*. Charlottesville:

Welcome

Thank you for supporting the Library of Virginia's map collection. Recent changes to the senior map archivist position have made it possible for staff members to reach out to our map community with an occasional newsletter. We plan to update you on new map programming, acquisitions, and recently accessioned and processed collections, as well as newly acquired map reference materials and exhibitions posted online and new books available for sale in the Virginia Shop.

**SAVE THE DATE: April 29, 2017
2017 Alan M. & Nathalie P. Voorhees Lecture**

Mark your calendar for the annual Alan M. and Nathalie P. Voorhees Lecture. The city of Richmond will be the focus of the 2017 lecture. Stay tuned for more information in the coming months.

WORKSHOP: What's My Map Worth? How to Value Antique Maps

Most of us have maps, in drawers, framed on walls, or in our attics. Have you ever wondered what your maps are worth? Join guest speaker Eliane Dotson as she shares secrets of the trade on how to value antique maps. Learn the difference between various types of values, such as insurance appraisals, dealer prices, and auction estimates. Discover which key factors most affect the value of

Recent Map Acquisitions

The Library's senior map archivist recently completed accessioning 166 maps that were donated by the Fairfax Public Library System. This collection is made up of 20th century maps published by local governments of Fairfax and Arlington, the Commonwealth of Virginia, the National Forest Service and the U.S. Coastal Survey.

Augustus S. Mitchell. *Map of the United States and Canada; Mitchell's Dissected Map, U.S.* Troy, New York: Merriam, Moore & Co., 1853/1854. Wood jigsaw puzzle. Map Accession 5906.

Good. *Plan of the City of Washington.* London: J. Good for the Literary Magazine and British Review, 1793. Map Accession 5905.

[Chicago Parkersburg and Norfolk Railroad]. *Preliminary Map Alleghany Extension Greenbrier River to Clifton Forge.* Manuscript map on tracing linen, 4 feet wide and 200 to 400 feet long. [1886-1896]. Map Accession 5898.

George H. Walker. *Map of Washington D.C.* Boston: Walker Lith. and Pub. Co., 1905-1908. Map Accession 5897. NOTE: Presidents George H. W. Bush and George W. Bush are descendants of George H. Walker.

Giovanni Maria Cassini. *Glis Stati Unifi Dell America Deliniati sulle Ultime Osservazioni. Terzo Foglio che comprende Partie della Virginia e della Carolina.* Roma Pressio la Calcografia Camerale, 1797. Map Accession 5895.

Peter Schenke. *Nova Virginiae Tabula.* Amstelladami, ex officina apud Pet. Schenke et Ger: Valk C. Priv., 1694. Map Accession 5894.

a map, such as color, state/edition, published format, and condition. Learn where to find information on current and historical prices for maps and how to evaluate the validity of the data. Although valuing antique maps is part art and part science, this lecture will guide both new and experienced collectors to a better understanding of how maps are valued and why some maps are worth more than others.

Dotson is vice president of the Washington Map Society, a Fry-Jefferson Map Society Steering Committee member, and the owner of Old World Auctions.

The Fry-Jefferson Map Society hosts this free workshop.

To register visit <https://goo.gl/6hwfgx>. For more information about this event, contact the Library of Virginia Foundation at 804.692.3813.

Online Map Exhibitions



This year the Library's Manuscripts and Special Collections Department has posted several exhibitions in Google Cultural Institute (<https://www.google.com/culturalinstitute/beta/partner/library-of-virginia>), including two map exhibitions, *Geographia* and *Washington*. An exhibition of select maps and charts from the Alan M. Voorhees Map Collection. *Geographia* is divided into four sections that include and introduction to a present-day map that georeferences the area of focus.

The sections are titled: "Early Views of Europe and the World," "Early European Views of America," "British and French Claims of North America," and "Maps of Virginia: Colonial to 19th Century." As viewers visit the *Geographia* gallery they can access more information about each map by clicking on it or study a particular section by using the built-in zoom features. The exhibition includes short biographies of famous explorers like Ferdinand Magellan and Amerigo Vespucci.

Washington was created to support the Library's Alan M. and Nathalie P. Voorhees Lecture on the History of Cartography. Held this April, the lecture focused on the District of Columbia, which at one time included the Virginia city of Alexandria. This gallery explores the evolution of the District through the Civil War as told through manuscript and printed maps and is divided into three sections: "Alexandria in the District," "Washington City in the District," and "The District after 1846." Viewers can research maps of the city and find views of the Capitol, vignettes of the Washington Monument and the Smithsonian, and a printed engraving of the Washington family. Short video clips examine the construction of the Capitol building and the Washington Monument, as well as the life of George Washington.

VDOT Office of Public Affairs
Cartography Section. *Virginia
Department of Transportation
County Seats and Independent
Cities*. Computer Printout, 2008.
Map Accession 5893.

Virginia. Arbuckle Bros. Coffee
Company, 1889. Map Accession
5890.

C.B. Malcolm. *A Virginians Idea
of the United States of America
By GBM*. 1954. Map Accession
5889.

Sir Robert Dudley. *Carta
particolare che comincia con
l'Isola di S:tomaso o Tome e
c:d'S. Clara e finisce con il
c:d'Aldeas : la longitudne.
Comica. Da l'l sola di Pico
d'Asores : d'Affrica cara VIII
Lucini fece*. [In Firenze] [Nella
stamperia di Francesco Onofri],
1646. Map Accession 5885.

Lardner Gibbon P.M. U.S.N.
*Maury's Wind and Current Chart.
South Pacific No. 5, Series A*.
1852. Map Accession 5879.

Lardner Gibbon P.M.
U.S.N. *Maury's Wind and Current
Chart: North Pacific No. 11,
Series A*. 1852. Map Accession
5878.

Touring and Information Board
American Automobile
Association. *Main Traveled
Routes through Maryland-Virginia
With Principal connections in the
Adjoining States*. 1914. Map
Accession 5877.

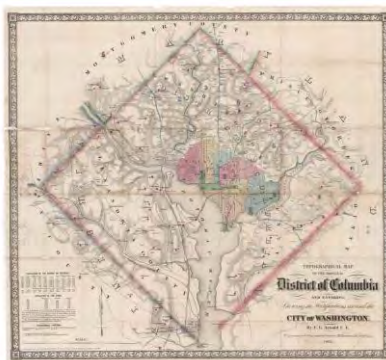


Map Events in the Community

Revolution: Mapping the Road to American Independence

Friday, October 7, 2016
5:30 p.m.
Hennage Auditorium

Index to the Library's Maps of the District of Columbia



The Library of Virginia's collections include early maps of Alexandria and Washington D.C. in an online [bibliography](#) are maps of the district published in the 19th and 20th centuries; maps of Alexandria are included that were published before the 1846 retrocession. Most of the maps listed in this bibliography have not been scanned and are available for research in the Library's Map Reading Room and Special Collections Reading Room. Maps that are a part of the historical map collection are served in the Map Reading Room. Researchers are required to have a Library of Virginia library card to access and use the map collection. A stack service slip must be completed to retrieve maps served in the Map and Special Collections reading rooms.

Roundup of 2016 Winter and Spring Map Programs at the Library



On March 19, 2016, the Fry-Jefferson Society supported a very successful map workshop led by Eliane Dotson of *Old World Auctions* (<https://www.oldworldauctions.com/>) titled "Introduction to Antique Maps." Dotson discussed map terminology, color application, printing techniques, manufacture and creation, and clues to look for to identify reproductions and forgeries. Audience members learned what questions to ask when looking at a map and what kinds of information maps can show us within their broader context. The group of approximately 45 attendees - which included many new faces - was highly engaged in the presentation and many stayed after the workshop to ask questions. We hope to repeat this program soon.

**Washington Facts or Fictions:
Debating the Mysteries of Early
Modern Science and
Cartography**

Thur - Fri, October 6-7, 2016
Coolidge Auditorium of the
Library of Congress, Washington,
D.C.

**Are you interested in
joining the Fry-Jefferson
Map Society Steering
Committee?**

We'd love to have you. For more
information, please call Dawn
Greggs at 804-692-3813.

Recently we said good-bye to
long-time steering committee
members **William Wooldridge**
and **Luke Vavra**. Stay tuned for
more information highlighting
their commitment and service to
the Fry-Jefferson Map Society.

Annual Voorhees Lecture



The 2016 Alan M. and Nathalie P. Voorhees Lecture on the History of Cartography, held on April 16, focused on "Virginia's District of Columbia." Guest speaker Don Hawkins explained why Alexandria became a part of the District in the 1790s and why it was retroceded to Virginia in 1846. Guest speaker Dennis Gurtz discussed the various maps of D.C. (printed and manuscript), created through the Civil War. The accompanying exhibition included multiple maps, prints and other ephemera from the Dennis Gurtz Collection, which was complemented by maps from the Library of Virginia's collections. On display were original Thackara & Vallance and Samuel Hill maps of Washington as well as Andrew Ellicott's topographical map of the District of Columbia.

Lecture attendees had the opportunity to take a tour of Special Collections that highlighted Washington D.C. and Alexandria publications and prints. A new conservation workshop series was started at this year's event. The first topic was minor paper repair of maps and documents. The Library's conservator, Leslie Courtois, demonstrated conservation appropriate techniques and advised the group on a multitude of topics related to proper handling, storage, and framing of their historical documents. An archival repair supply kit was also offered in the workshop, which is still available for purchase in the Virginia Shop. The workshop was well attended and plans are in the works for upcoming sessions. If you have ideas for topics you would like to see discussed, please let us know!

**The mission of the Fry-Jefferson Map Society is to develop, enhance and
promote the cartographic collections of the Library of Virginia.**

Please visit our website at www.lva.virginia.gov/involved/f-jms.htm.